

## Why is Water so Important ?

Water is an essential commodity to our daily lives, it provides us energy, helps grow food, keeps us clean, and is a basic necessity to life. With an ever increasing population, the demand for water is continually on the rise, adding even more strain to our water systems. Even though water is considered a renewable resource, humans are consuming it faster than it can naturally be replenished. We as consumers, need to focus on changing our water habits to ensure that future generations will have water to survive.

### Indoor Household Water Use



**Toilet 26.8%**



**Laundry 21.7%**



**Shower 16.7%**



**Faucet 15.7%**



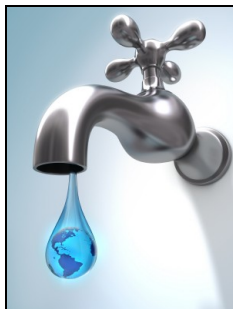
**Leak 13.7%**



**Dishwasher 1.4%**

**Others 2.3%**

## Reduce, Repair & Retrofit



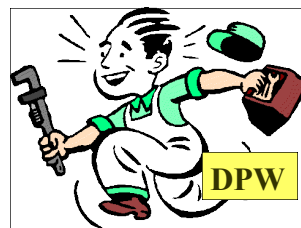
**A tap that drips once per second can waste 10,000 gallons of water per year !**

**REDUCE:** by making small changes to water use habits, you can significantly reduce the amount of water you use and the energy to heat it.

**RETROFIT:** adapt or replace older, less efficient appliances and fixtures with one of the many water saving models now available (**Water \$ense Label**).



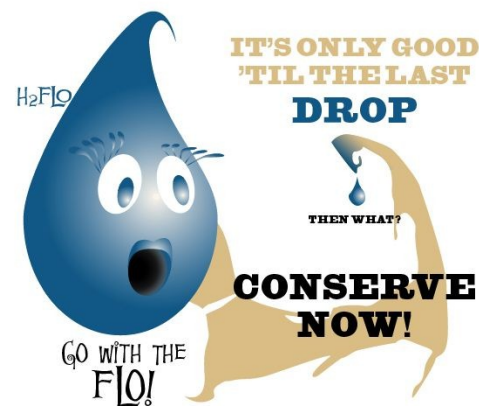
**Contact the DPW Work Order Section (753-6068) immediately if you find leaks**



**USAG Humphreys**



## WATER CONSERVATION



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## Water Conservation Awareness

**Please Use Water Wisely.** Water Conservation is easy to implement, can save money, and it just makes sense. By becoming more aware of your water consumption and adopting a few water saving habits, you can help do your part in preserving our water resources.

### Things You May Not Know About Your Water Consumption

- Over 65% of indoor water use occurs in the bathroom
- Household water use can increase as much as 50% during the summer months
- Energy efficient appliances are often water efficient as well
- Each household has the ability to reduce consumption by at least 10-40% without any major changes to lifestyle

## Water Conservation Tips and Suggestions

There are lots of little things you can do to conserve water.

For water conservation at USAG-Humphreys, you could try the following:



Take a "Navy" shower. Get wet, turn off the water, lather up, turn on the water again to rinse.



Use the sink to shave, but do not leave water running in the process.



Don't use the toilet as a garbage can; dispose of tissues and floor sweepings in the trash.



Make sure you water your lawn and plants, not your sidewalks.



Turn off taps while soaping hands and brushing teeth.



Rinse vegetables in a bowl of water instead of running them under the tap. Use the leftover water on your plants.



Use the dishwasher and washing machine only for full loads



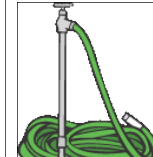
Consider reusing your towels.



Turn off sink faucet while scrubbing dishes and pots.



Water your lawn in early morning or late evening to reduce evaporation.



Regularly inspect hoses, sprinklers, and valves on taps for any leaks and repair ASAP.



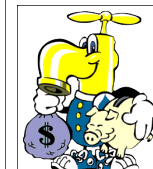
Regularly inspect your toilets, taps, shower heads, etc for any leaks and repair them as soon as possible.



Use a broom, not a hose to clean driveways and walkways



If possible, reuse grey water during training.



Installing low flow toilets and shower heads can reduce water use by up to 50%.